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Status of Branch's Current Research on Economy of Communist China

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1. S/CST is completing a project (47.1964, "The Construction Industry During the First Five Year Plan in Communist China") which contains a final chapter entitled "1958 and Outlook For the Second Five Year Plan."

2. This chapter attempts to synthesize elements operative in construction through the first six months of 1958. It discusses such things as local construction, the February ministerial reorganization, reduction of construction costs, and then summarizes these and other elements applied to selected economic sectors.

3. S/CST will type an extra copy of this section for A/F retention when the project is transmitted for coordination.

4. Beyond this, S/CST stands ready to furnish analysis on any aspect of current construction in Communist China and suggests that A/F, after reading the section adverted to above, make known its specific desires in the matter.

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